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**RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT**

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Dear Sir:

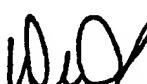
Applicant responds to the restriction requirement mailed January 29, 2002, with a shortened one month period to respond.

An automatic three month extension of time to respond, up to and including May 29, 2002, is respectfully requested. The requisite fee accompanies this Response.

Applicant hereby elects, with right of traverse, the invention defined in claims 38-43, 62 and 70 (Examiner's Group I).

Respectfully submitted,

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